

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 516

By DuBois

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Dena Ray on her selection as a Distinguished Educator for the 2006-2007 school year by the Maury County Education Association.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Dena Ray is one such estimable educator who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ray has been selected as a Distinguished Educator for the Maury County school system for the 2006-2007 school year, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious award is conferred by the Maury County Education Association (MCEA); recipients are honored and recognized for their many valuable contributions to their respective schools, to the community at large, and to the MCEA; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ray serves with the utmost acumen and alacrity as a teacher at Culleoka Unit School; and

WHEREAS, Dena Ray is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ray truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Dena Ray truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Dena Ray on being selected as a Maury County Education Association Distinguished Educator for the 2006-2007 school year, a fitting recognition of her untiring performance at Culleoka Unit School; commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee; salute her professional expertise and personal excellence; and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.